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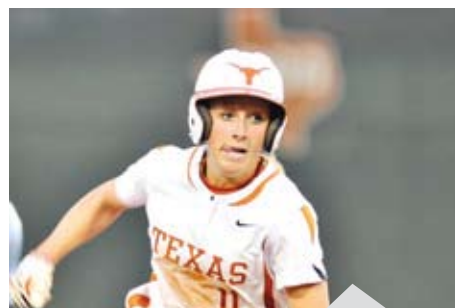
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## WEEKEND

### FRIDAY

#### 'The Whole Shootin' Match'

Austin Film Studios Screening Room is screening the Texas Independent Film Network film "The Whole Shootin' Match" at 7:30 p.m.

#### "Black Horse and the Cherry Tree"

KT Tunstall and Robert Francis will be playing at La Zona Rosa at 8 p.m.

### SATURDAY

#### Jashan Carnival

This all day event showcases the culture of India with music, food and dancing at the Main Mall.

#### Cine las Americas

Alamo Drafthouse South is screening Cine las Americas for the International Film Festival at 4 p.m.

#### Middle Eastern Ensemble

The Butler School of Music hosts a concert of medieval songs and dances with Middle Eastern mystical music features in the Bates Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m.

#### James Taylor

The Bass Concert Hall is hosting James Taylor at 8 p.m.

### SUNDAY

#### UT Jazz

The UT Faculty Ensemble presents UT Jazz, directed by Jeff Hellmer, at the Blanton Museum at 2 p.m.

#### Hidden Language of Artists

The Blanton Museum of Art hosts a tour to explore the symbols and allegory in European Art at 1 p.m.

#### 'You have to be different!'

Alamo Drafthouse Village is screening Monty Python's "Life of Brian" at 7 p.m.



### Quote to note

"I try not to be anybody's friend, but I also try not to be anybody's enemy. And I think if you don't try to personalize these things, you won't have a job to do."

— **Peter Baker**  
New York Times White House correspondent

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Allen Otto | Daily Texan Staff

A model posed in one of designer Colton Gerard's contemporary adaptations of military uniforms. Gerard's collection, "Heritage," won Best Collection at this year's textile and apparel fashion show.

# Creme de la Couture

By William James & Julie Rene Tran

In an industry where designs are predominately geared towards women, two senior designers broke the mold with outstanding menswear collections at the 2011 textiles and apparel senior fashion show, "Innovation," on Thursday night at the Frank Erwin Center. Despite having no formal training in menswear from College of Natural Sciences, designers Colton Gerard and Christopher Pham swept the awards with their well-made and sophisticatedly styled collections.

A packed Erwin Center watched and applauded as 23 textiles and

apparel senior fashion designers debuted more than 100 looks. Following the runway show, superlative awards were distributed to deserving students by panelists which included fashion designers, writers, boutique owners and experts alike.

The Best Collection award went to Gerard. The collection, titled "Heritage," was well received by the audience, especially by Stephen MacMillian Moser, fashion icon and Austin Chronicle columnist, who gave Gerard a standing ovation. His looks featured rugged,

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## Famed news journalists reveal Watergate details

By Matthew Stottlemire  
Daily Texan Staff

Almost 40 years after former President Richard Nixon resigned, Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein, the duo of metro reporters who broke the Watergate scandal, still have news to break.

In the LBJ Library, in front of a yellowed copy of a 1974 Washington Post with a banner head screaming Nixon's resignation, Woodward discussed the duo's latest set of reporting notes, which they released to the Harry Ransom Center on Tuesday.

"Basically, Nixon said [to Alexander Haig, his chief of staff] if there were a pistol in his desk, he would have taken his own life," Woodward said Thursday.

Haig was one of the 17 confidential sources — including a Nixon speech writer, other White House officials and multiple U.S. congressmen — who have died since the last

set of notes was donated, Ransom Center archivist Steve Mielke said.

He said the Ransom Center paid \$5 million, which was covered by private donations, in 2003 for the bulk of Woodward and Bernstein's notes, with the agreement that they would hand over notes from living confidential sources as they died. From the \$5 million, the University got \$500,000 back to establish an endowment to fund events and classes related to the notes.

Woodward and Bernstein took the notes during their coverage for the Nixon administration's systematic and successful attempt to undermine the Democratic nominee for president in 1974.

During the discussion, which about 700 people attended, Bernstein said the same basic journalism skills and hard work he and

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— Bob Woodward, Washington Post editor



Thomas Allison | Daily Texan Staff

Members of Students Against Sweatshops march on the West Mall on Thursday. President William Powers Jr. will meet with the group this month to discuss improving oversight of factories that produce UT apparel.

## Student advocacy groups lobby for ethical apparel production

By William James  
Daily Texan Staff

After two years of campaigning, representatives from two student advocacy groups will meet with President William Powers Jr. later this month to address concerns about UT's apparel production — the largest in the country.

Students Against Sweatshops and

OxFam UT hosted a rally Thursday with about 30 students to protest the University's use of the Fair Labor Association to monitor its apparel production.

The student groups accused the association of poor oversight and corruption because it has apparel manufacturers on its board and has failed to effectively monitor in the past.

The two groups have worked with other student organizations to urge the University to affiliate with the Worker Rights Consortium, another watchdog group.

"We have a lot of support from the Student Government, University Democrats and other University leaders to fight against unfair

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TODAY'S TIP: Turn Off the Lights!

A classic green tip for the 41st anniversary of Earth Day — remember to turn off the lights whenever you don't need them at home and on campus. As a reminder, the Tower will delay lighting until midnight in observance of Earth Day. Tell us what you did to save energy this weekend.

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## CORRECTION

Because of an editing error in Thursday's page 1 story on Rick O'Donnell's replacement, Sandra Woodley was misidentified in the second paragraph as Kelly on second and third reference.

Because of an editing error, the headline for Thursday's page 1 story on the House's passing of a bill banning salvia incorrectly stated a law banning salvia and synthesized marijuana takes effect today.

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## TOMORROW'S WEATHER

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Think like a designer



Allen Otto | Daily Texan Staff

New York Times reporter Peter Baker spoke to students and faculty Thursday afternoon about how he remains objective after his 19-year tenure of covering the White House.

# Reporter recounts experience as presidential correspondent

By Jake Hong  
Daily Texan Staff

The relationship between the president and press is changing along with today's media world, said White House correspondent Peter Baker on Thursday.

The former Washington Post and current New York Times reporter shared his memories of the Oval Offices of former presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush and President Barack Obama. William Inboden, a Robert S. Strauss Center distinguished scholar, moderated the event, which about 55 people attended.

"I try not to be anybody's friend, but I also try not to be anybody's enemy," Baker said. "And I think if you don't try to personalize these things, you won't have a job to do."

During his 19-year tenure as a correspondent, Baker said he saw Clinton's off-camera uncertainty and Bush's intellect. But today,

the media has a very limited relationship with the president, and few journalists truly get to know the most powerful man in the world, he said.

Baker said he tries to remain objective about each president and his policies while reporting.

"It's not for me to judge good and bad, which is kind of hard. As a reporter, it's my job to report," Baker said, "There are things about Bush's foreign policy that people don't know about, that I think most people who study it would say are successes."

Baker's commitment to the facts extended to his anecdote-filled lecture, said Strauss Center Program Coordinator Liz Roberts.

"He gave his honest impressions, but they were favorable," Roberts said. "But I thought he was very impartial."

Baker's job is changing with the growth of digital media. Outlets, such as podcasts and blogs, are reshaping the definition of

the deadline. Wikileaks, an anti-secrecy website that leaks classified government documents, evokes questions of privacy and accountability and challenges the relationships between the press and its sources, Baker said.

"Our job was to go to work. We would cover a story. Around five o'clock, we sit down and write it. You would turn it in, go home and have a beer," Baker said, "Today, we get the beer much earlier."

The price of producing quality news is increasing, while revenue is plummeting because of the demand for free online content, Baker said. Public affairs graduate student Jonathan Deyo said that change could drive younger consumers to abandon traditional media.

"At least for now, you've got a reader willing to pay for quality information, but I think the upcoming generations might not be as willing because we've grown up on not having to buy a newspaper subscription," Deyo said.

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Woodward used could break a similar story today, but the dominant cultural perception of the news media has shifted.

"Good reporters in any medium could do any of these stories today," he said. "What's different is how it would be received today compared to then."

Thursday also marked the 35th anniversary of the release of the movie by the same name as Woodward and Bernstein's book, "All the President's Men."

Actor Robert Redford directed the movie and co-starred as Woodward. During the panel discussion, Redford said the

character differences between Woodward and Bernstein stood out to him.

"One was a Jew, and one was a WASP. One was liberal, and the other was a Republican. One was a good writer, and one was pretty bad," Redford said. "And these two have to work together."

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as we did."

Zaffirini said education needs an additional \$4 billion to be able to function.

"The choice is from awful to horrific, and we can do better," Zaffirini said. "I couldn't possibly vote for something like that."

The state currently funds about \$330 million of UT's \$2.2 billion annual operating budget. The bill would cut \$51 million from UT's budget — \$12 million less than the House's version.

Invest in Texas spokesman Michael Morton said the student lobbying group will continue its campaign to prevent disproportional cuts to UT.

"We are disappointed that the bill did pass with so many cuts to higher education, but we will continue to contact our senators," Morton said.

Morton said Invest in Texas members hand-delivered 1,500 postcards to lawmakers as part of lobbying efforts to maintain adequate funding and current levels of financial aid.

Hinojosa said as opposed to the House bill, the Senate bill helps public education in general as well as university students.

"We pushed more financial aid ideas, and we restored close to

\$100 million for community colleges and \$306 million for financial aid," Hinojosa said.

Hinojosa was one of two Democrats who voted for the bill, but he said he does not think the budget currently has the 21 votes needed to be debated on the Senate floor.

He said the bill does less harm than the House version with \$12 billion additional funding, which will come from property sales, accelerated tax collections, changes in unclaimed property programs and other measures.

"We tried to ease the gap and at least fund the state budget as close as possible to the same funding level as we did last biennium," he said. "It's not a good bill, but it's not as bad as the House bill."

Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, said members from both the Senate and House will have to work together to bridge the difference between both budget versions.

"There are people all over this Capitol that are chomping at the bit to make sure that the House and Senate are in disagreement," Shapiro said. "I think what they need to realize is that they've got their job to do, we've got our job to do, and they may not match exactly, but at the end of the day, we have to work together on this."

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trade on campus," said Cait McCann, a Latin American studies senior and co-president of Ox-fam UT.

Nathan Van Oort, a Students Against Sweatshops member, said that in 2009, the University's current appeal partner reported that 1,200 workers in Honduras were laid off because of an economic recession. The consortium, however, found out the workers were actually fired because they were protesting for their rights.

"The [rally] was to show UT's administration that there is a lot of student support for this cam-

paign," said Van Oort, a geosciences junior.

Powers' office declined to comment on the march itself but said they look forward to meeting with the students on April 29.

Anne Lewis, a documentary filmmaker, said students could stand up against unfair labor and stop sweatshops by changing UT's apparel production methods.

"I worked as a garment worker while I was in college, and it was unpleasant," she said. "However, it was nowhere near the conditions people who work in sweatshops endure."

# Nevada Republican resigns post during ethics investigation

By Cristina Silva  
The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Embattled Republican Sen. John Ensign of Nevada announced Thursday that he will resign amid an ongoing ethics investigation, a move that could spare him from the continued embarrassment of the closely watched probe.

Ensign insisted he's done nothing wrong, but said he could no longer expose his family and constituents to the intense focus on his extramarital affair with a former staffer and the ethical allegations clouding that relationship.

"For my family and me, this continued personal cost is simply too great," he said in a statement.

Ensign said he will send an official resignation letter to Vice President Joe Biden on Friday. The resignation would be effective May 3.

"While I stand behind my firm belief that I have not violated any law, rule, or standard of conduct of the Senate, and I have fought to prove this publicly, I will not contin-

ue to subject my family, my constituents, or the Senate to any further rounds of investigation, depositions, drawn out proceedings, or especially public hearings," Ensign said.

Democratic Sen. Barbara Boxer, who chairs the Senate Ethics Committee, and GOP Sen. Johnny Isakson, the committee's vice chairman, said that Ensign "made the appropriate decision" in stepping down.

"The Senate Ethics Committee has worked diligently for 22 months on this matter and will complete its work in a timely fashion," the senators said.

Ensign could also be vulnerable to questions about his role in the affair's aftermath. The husband of his former lover, who was also a former aide to Ensign, has been indicted for illegally lobbying the senator's staff.

The Justice Department and the Federal Election Commission investigated and then dropped cases against Ensign with little explanation. The ethics committee, however, named a special counsel in February to look into the matter.

In his resignation notice Thursday, Ensign said that appointment shook him because he had hoped the investigation would end with the Justice Department.

Ensign announced in June 2009 that he had an extramarital affair with Cynthia Hampton, a former member of his campaign staff, and that he had helped her husband, Doug Hampton, a member of his Senate staff, obtain lobbying work with two Nevada companies.

Federal law prohibits a former senior Senate aide from lobbying the Senate for one year after terminating employment.

Ensign announced in March he would not pursue re-election in 2012 to protect his family from campaign attacks involving his role in Doug Hampton's lobbying career. He added that the Senate investigation hadn't influenced his decision.

"If I was concerned about that I would have resigned, because that would make the most sense because then it goes away," he said last month.

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Libyan dentist Ali Salhi, right, tends his wounded brother Khalid Salhi on board the Ionian Spirit ferry which evacuated residents Thursday.

## Libyan civilians flee rebellion by boat

By Ben Hubbard  
The Associated Press

ABOARD THE IONIAN SPIRIT — The scene was testimony to the wrenching changes war brings. It turned Dr. Ali Salhi, a Libyan dentist, into a battlefield medic. In a ship's corridor transformed into an intensive care unit, the patient he hovered over was his little brother, a lawyer who became a fighter to defend their home city Misrata from Moammar Gadhafi's forces.

Near a stack of life vests, Khaled Salhi lay unconscious, a hunk of shrapnel lodged in his brain. Ali silently watched the tubes running into his brother's mouth and nose and listened to the beep of the heart monitor. Khaled hasn't

woken up since he was hit.

But the 33-year-old Ali doesn't regret that his brother, six years younger than him, fought.

"If we all prevented our brothers from fighting, there would be no resistance to Gadhafi," he said. "My brother might die and others as well, but we have to defend our city."

On Thursday, the Ionian Spirit, a Greek passenger ferry, carried more than 1,000 people fleeing Misrata. Aboard the vessel, which docked in Benghazi late Thursday, were the bodies of an Oscar-nominated documentary maker from Britain and an American photographer who were killed covering clashes Wednesday.

Areas below deck were turned into impromptu clinics for the wounded. The ship's bar was

settled by Libyan families.

The two-month-old anti-Gadhafi rebellion has upturned lives across Libya, but perhaps nowhere more completely than in Misrata, Libya's third largest city. For nearly two months, Gadhafi forces have surrounded the city from three sides, pounding it with shelling and rocket fire.

Thousands have fled the city to the de facto rebel capital Benghazi. The Ionian Spirit's journey was organized by the International Organization of Migration.

The ship's passengers include dozens of injured and shell-shocked Libyans, hundreds of migrant workers from Africa, as well as smaller groups from Pakistan, Nigeria and the Philippines.

## Obama creates task force to investigate oil markets

By Julie Pace  
The Associated Press

RENO, Nev. — President Barack Obama said Thursday that the Justice Department will try to "root out" cases of fraud or manipulation in oil markets.

"We are going to make sure that no one is taking advantage of the American people for their own short-term gain," Obama said at a town-hall style meeting at a renewable energy plant in Reno.

The national average price for a gallon of regular gasoline was \$3.84 on Thursday, about 30 cents higher than a month ago and almost a dollar higher than a year ago.

Obama, decrying such levels as yet another hardship "at a time when things were already pretty tough," said Attorney General Eric Holder was forming the Financial Fraud Enforcement Working Group.

The task force will focus partly on "the role of traders and speculators" in the oil-price surge, Obama said. The group will include several

Cabinet department officials, federal regulators and the National Association of Attorneys General.

In Washington, Holder said he would press ahead with the investigation, even though he did not cite any current evidence of intentional manipulation of prices or fraud.

"Based upon our work and research to date, it is evident that there are regional differences in gasoline prices, as well as differences in the statutory and other legal tools at the government's disposal," Holder said in a memo. "It is also clear that there are lawful reasons for increases in gas prices, given supply and demand."

"Nonetheless, where consumers are harmed by unlawful conduct that has the effect of increasing gas prices, state and federal authorities will take swift action," Holder said.

He promised to "be vigilant in monitoring the oil and gas markets for any wrongdoing so that consumers can be confident they are not paying higher prices as a result of illegal activity."



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President Barack Obama addresses the crowd during a town hall meeting at a renewable energy company in Reno, Nev., on Thursday.



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*“In our view, the student who wrote the letter misunderstood our quality level ... It’s unfortunate that anybody may take a cursory look and make assumptions about what we are.”*

— Arizona State University spokesman Virgil Renzulli, regarding a public letter from UT Student Government President Natalie Butler that claimed ASU’s commitment to online education is not appropriate for UT, according to The Daily Texan.

*“It’s not an addictive substance in itself, but people get addicted to the sensation they get from ‘traveling to different dimensions’ and all of that. People really don’t know what the long-term consequences of losing touch with reality will be.”*

— Rep. Charles Anderson, R-Waco, author of a recently passed bill to ban the sale of salvia, a hallucinogenic drug, as reported by The Daily Texan.

*“It’ll give us a little break. Where people don’t seem so rushed, so threatened. You can take a breath. I just want you all to know that’s all it is — a breath. This is not going to last and it’s not the end of the fire.”*

— Incident Management Team commander Tony Wilder at a debriefing in Mineral Wells, Texas, according to The Dallas Morning News. The area saw a brief drizzle on Wednesday that helped slow the spreading wildfires.

*“I urge Texans of all faiths and traditions to offer prayers on that day for the healing of our land, the rebuilding of our communities and the restoration of our normal and robust way of life.”*

— Gov. Rick Perry declaring a state-wide week-end of prayer for rainfall in light of the wildfires ravaging many parts of the state, according to the Texas Tribune.

*“We really need some rainfall. We expect rain in the next few days, but we don’t know if it’ll get on the fires or not.”*

— National Weather Service meteorologist Dan Byrd, as reported by The Associated Press.

*“This is going to make it more difficult for deserving students to go to college ... Funding for grants and higher education should be held in a higher priority than it has been so far.”*

— Butler, on a proposed change to the TEXAS Grant financial aid program, according to The Daily Texan. The change would enhance the academic merit requirements for students who qualify for need-based assistance.

*“I’m really honored and delighted to work together with students, faculty and staff for a worthy cause ... I’m glad I could help out in some way.”*

— UT math professor James Vick, on Pancakes for Parkinson’s, a fundraiser held Wednesday that raised \$32,000 for the Michael J. Fox Foundation, a parkinsons disease charity, according to The Daily Texan.

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THE FIRING LINE

Ignoring racism is detrimental

After reviewing the campus’ overwhelming response to the articles written weeks ago in The Daily Texan to capture the true essence of our campus climate by reporting on incidents that occurred during Roundup, I must admit that I was less than shocked by the nature of the conversation that developed online. Of the 209 comments that were submitted to one of the articles, 15 of those were censored for their inappropriateness. The nature of the comments ranged from eloquent disrespect among campus members, lack of sensitivity for others’ perspectives and ignorance towards the concept of racism.

It is repulsive to witness behavior of this sort being displayed throughout a campus that prides itself on the core values of learning, discovery, individual opportunity and responsibility. We, as members of this campus — students, faculty and staff — must hold ourselves and each other to a higher caliber of moral standards.

While many members of this campus may feel like the University of Texas and the United States have progressed to post-racial society, if we continue to downplay the existence of racism at UT, we will continue to experience the detrimental effects that it has proven to have on our campus climate.

Previous incidents like the one that occurred during Roundup have been difficult to label precisely as racist, but an event that occurred this past Sunday evening in the Malcolm X Lounge (an open space most commonly used by African-American students) has no room for mislabeling. On Sunday, April 17, an individual walked into the X-Lounge in black-face and sat on the couch in the midst of several African-American students while one friend recorded and a group of students stood outside the X-Lounge and watched this occur. Given the history that this campus has of students hosting black-face parties and the traditional minstrel shows that have been a part of campus-wide events such as Roundup and the fall football games, the recent controversy with the Simkins Dormitory, etc., these types of incidents should not be taken lightly by any student or member of the administration.

I charge all members of the Forty Acres to be that catalyst of positive change on this campus, discouraging the intolerance and insensitivity that takes place both deliberately and covertly. For those interested in continuing the conversation about the racial climate on campus, feel free to attend the upcoming town hall meeting that I have committed myself to promoting through my position as a newly elected University-wide representative of Student Government.

— Kristin Thompson  
Member of the Roundup Coalition  
Civil engineering junior

Keep Sarah Weddington

From a business perspective, I’ve been sympathetic to the difficult financial decisions the University has had to make. I have not marched, written letters, complained or whined about the changes. However, I need to speak up now. Who is doing the thinking, or who is refusing to engage their brains and think, about some of these budget decisions being made? It has come to my attention that professor Sarah Weddington is being let go. If you’ve never heard of Weddington, I’m sure you’ve heard of the case that she argued and won before the Supreme Court, Roe v. Wade.

Really? Really? We’re really letting a professor go due to budget cuts who made such an impact on U.S. history? No, I do not know the inside story of why she is being let go. Is it her position on abortion? Did she not publish enough? Did she not follow a tenure track? Were her writings not in prestigious peer reviewed journals? I really don’t care. I don’t care if she never accomplished a legal success after Roe v. Wade, which is not the case. Roe v. Wade was big enough for a lifetime.

I have been a student in Weddington’s class. Listening to a tape from the ‘70s of Roe v. Wade being argued before the Supreme Court and then being able to ask questions to the same attorney I had just listened to was amazing. I was in the presence of, and interacting with, history. It was all possible because I’m a student at the University of Texas at Austin.

If Rosa Parks were to be a lecturer at UT, would we let her go as well, due to budget cuts? All she did was refuse to give her seat up on a bus.

Have any of you readers taken a class here at UT and wondered how in the world the professor ever got funded for their asinine research? Yet, they are kept on despite budget cuts. The “rules” of academia and “budget” seem to be obscuring the vision of true learning. Living history is far, far better than any book, article or journal.

By the way, Sarah Weddington is well liked by her students and is always glad to help any deserving student with referrals to her vast network of contacts or with letters of reference to law schools. She goes far beyond teaching a class. I hope UT wakes up and keeps Sarah Weddington.

It makes me sad to say I attend UT, where such smart people study but such stupid decisions are being made.

— Sandy R. Poffinbarger  
Women’s and gender studies  
graduate student

Online learning vs. E-learning

In an April 20th viewpoint, “Keep Classes Offline,” the Texan editorial board asserts that “online learning” is not an answer to UT’s financial plight. But the analysis shows confusion about what is meant by that phrase.

One meaning of “online learning” (or “distance learning”) means no more than delivering a lecture over the Web instead of in a classroom, perhaps with questions and answers handled by email. “Online learning” is what the University of Phoenix sells.

“E-learning,” on the other hand, is based on a computer program that simulates the presentation of an idea or a skill, permits the learner to experiment in one of many ways found most comfortable, then provides individualized feed-back that recognizes and explains the strengths and weaknesses of each individual student. The professor’s input lies in the design of the program, not in teaching a course.

A few good “E-learning” modules could teach a subject across the country.

Airplane pilots today are trained by e-learning computer-based programs. Errors are explicated, and opportunities for choices are presented until the learner no longer “crashes” the plane. Might some college subjects be learned in the same manner? Carnegie-Mellon thinks so and has built an e-learning program for mastering elementary statistics and has found it as good or better than the standard lectures and section discussions.

To develop a good E-learning module is expensive. But for subjects taught widely across the country, such as elementary statistics, we could afford millions of dollars in development costs to achieve successful professor-less learning modules. As we note the enthusiasm with which our kids play games based on video and computers, do we think that we might attract them to the challenge of learning statistics? Maybe.

UT has a program to help departments redesign courses, including using computer-based learning in novel ways. One of the efforts underway, in fact, will be designed to teach statistics, for which \$300,000 has been allocated. What The Daily Texan should be watching is whether the resulting program will save students the cost of “online learning” or whether UT will join the effort in E-learning and achieve comparable outcomes in learning with savings in costs to students.

— Francis D. Fisher  
Senior Research Fellow, Lyndon B. Johnson  
School of Public Affairs

Cutting into the bone

By Holly Heinrich  
Daily Texan Columnist

The legacies of our high school educations can follow us to college, determining how easily we transition and how well we perform. In Texas, as in much of the United States, the quality of a public school education differs between cities, towns and zip codes, but the budget recently passed by the Texas House of Representatives, which would cut \$8 billion in public education funding, will hurt all Texas school districts. It will harm the next generation of students who dream of coming to college, and in a state where only 27 percent of adults hold a college degree, higher education is already an elusive dream for many Texans.

Freshman linguistics student Sarah Sanders, who attended a Title I high school in Beaumont Independent School District, knows firsthand how a lack of funding can leave students unprepared for college. Sanders

said the good teachers at her school were not recognized and the under-performing teachers were never asked to “step up their game.”

In districts such as Eanes ISD, where the community offers extra financial help through extensive fundraising, the situation can be better.

“Westlake taught me how to study, take notes and reach out for help if I didn’t understand the material,” said Michelle Suh, a Harvard freshman who attended Westlake High School in Austin. “Our teachers believed we could do anything, and then they taught us how to make that a reality.”

But even high-performing school districts, like districts across the state, are faced with the reality that with the reduction in state aid, eliminating staff and teacher positions is an almost certainty in the coming year.

Freshman history student Moses Lira is concerned that, because of budget cuts, the programs which helped him get to college will not exist after this year.

“In the last decade, my school has seen an increase in students attending college,” said Lira, a graduate of McCollum High School on San Antonio’s economically disadvantaged South Side. “This has been due to an increase in government funding [for college and career preparatory programs]. If the funding had not been there, I would not have known I could attend UT-Austin with the little money my mother made.”

People across the state — students, parents, teachers and recent graduates — are experiencing life changes as the result of expected cuts to public education. There is less and less room in the system they pinned their futures to, and they are being pushed out. Candidates running for office often say that when they get to Austin, they’ll trim the fat from state spending. But the fat in Texas public education was trimmed years ago. This year’s Legislature is cutting into the bone.

Heinrich is a government freshman.





Inspired by 1950s Hawaiian resort wear, designer Heidi Mashaka’s vibrant “Honeymoon Collection” had a burst of color and prints. To complete the looks, models walked the runway with oversized black sunglasses and straw accessories.



Technicians and make-up artists watched models walk the runway on a TV monitor backstage.



Wearing a voluminous cape lined with mustard silk by designer Elise Romero, the model unbuttoned the coat to reveal a two piece ensemble at the end of the runway.



Before the show, the models get their make-up put on by Barton Creek Sephora’s make-up artists backstage.



Designer Jessica Bird burst into excitement after her name was announced for the Best Evening Gown award. Bird also tied with designer Elise Romero for Most Marketable.

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detailed jackets which incorporated many natural elements including rabbit fur, distressed leather and toggles made from deer antlers.

Honorable mention for Best Collection was awarded to Pham. Though his all-American adaptation of aristocratic blue bloods was not as original, Pham’s sophistication and taste shone through the garments. The pieces also resonate with the personality of Ralph Lauren, for whom Pham interned last summer.

Among other sponsors, the University Co-op sponsored the event and is selling three designers’ garments in their store. Pham, Elise Romero and Megan Mehl won the Most Marketable and Creative award, and their dresses will be sold in the Co-op starting today. Awards were also presented to Sophia Al-Banna, Angela Saenz, Kalgari Ferris and Heidi Mashaka for being the most creative.

Other standouts of the evening included an impeccably constructed line of monochromatic silks and androgynous lines from Jessica Bird and three adaptations of delicate white pieces by Al-Banna.

By far one of the best garments that walked the runway was Bird’s leather creme jacket, which surpasses the workmanship of a fashion student. Her line looked and felt expensive; it was as if her garments were pulled off Bergdorf Goodman. The delicate piping down the shoulders and arms contrasted against the masculinity of the jacket’s structure, proving Bird’s wide range in aesthetic and construction. While Bird lured the crowd in with her dynamic mixed construction of fitted and flowy, the movement in Al-Banna’s pieces had pizzazz. Bird’s collection won Most Marketable, and Al-Banna took Honorable Mention for Best Bridal Wear.

Each designer also showcased formal and bridal attire, and Bird was awarded Best Evening Gown for her modern champagne-colored silk gown which featured golden piping that wrapped around the hips and extended to the floor.

One of the panelists and owner of Blackmail Boutique, Gail Chovan, said that she was impressed with how far the show had come since she originally started judging it 10 years ago.

“It is great to see guys that are designing for guys that use fashion-forward thinking and have strong technical skills,” Chovan said.

Photos by Allen Otto



In a extravagantly ruffled collar dress, a model struts the runway.



## Texas bracing for life without Thompson or Hamilton

By Will Anderson  
Daily Texan Staff

The deadline for entering the NBA draft is Sunday, which means Longhorns Tristan Thompson and Jordan Hamilton have some decisions to make.

The Austin American-Statesman reported Thursday that sources close to Thompson indicated he would declare for the draft with an agent, but there has been no official word from either Thompson or the school as of press time. Thompson, a 6-foot-8-inch forward, is ranked as high as the mid-first round in some draft projections.

Hamilton, the team's leading scorer from last season, is also listed as a possible first-rounder. The sophomore averaged 18.6 points per game in his first season as Texas' primary playmaker.

Freshman Cory Joseph has also not indicated whether he will return next year or enter the draft.

If Thompson and Hamilton were to leave, a depleted returning roster and untested recruiting class would have to fill their spots. Without Thompson, Texas brings back just one post player who averaged more than five minutes a game — junior and defensive specialist Alexis Wangmene, who was good for 2.3 points and 2.3 rebounds per night in 2010-11.

The incoming freshman class would bring some relief at that position. Four-star recruit Jonathan Holmes from San Antonio is a 6-foot-8-inch forward who excelled in the low post in high school, and Kevin Thomas is another soon-to-be Longhorn big man. Without Thompson, both would be counted on by head coach Rick Barnes for early minutes.

If Hamilton also

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## Longhorns ready for shootout



Junior Nicole Vandermade takes it as her duty to relax the her team on road trips by burning her favorite songs onto CDs. The Longhorns are in Columbia this weekend for the Big 12 Championship.

Courtesy of Texas Sports

Team carries a relaxed approach heading into Big 12 Championship

By Stephanie Yarbrough  
Daily Texan Staff

Junior Nicole Vandermade isn't just the No. 2 starter for Texas — she's also the team's unofficial DJ.

"I have a team CD that I make for every trip," she said earlier this week. "It's a lot of what's playing right now, and I'll throw in a couple of random songs here and there, like the last couple of CDs I put some Backstreet Boys on."

Her teammates are happy that Vandermade is hitting tough shots on the links as well as playing good tunes on the stereo.

"I think her last CD was the best one yet," said sophomore Madison Pressel, the team's No. 1 starter this weekend. "She always has a CD to try and pump us up before the tournament."

Even Haley Stephens, a sophomore from South Carolina who was raised on country music, is a convert.

"Now it's like I'm totally into the rap. I'm totally converted," Stephens said. "I don't know if the CDs played a part or not, but my music tastes have definitely changed."

The music is entertaining, yes — but it's also become an important pre-tournament ritual to the team.

"Some of the songs are the same, of course," Stephens said. "If we have favorites, we keep that mojo going. We keep 'em in there."

That doesn't mean everyone is happy all the time, however.

"The Backstreet Boys I could do without," Stephens joked. "I liked everything else. It was just a little too old school for me."

Rituals are important heading into this weekend's first postseason event in Columbia. Aside from the name, the Big 12

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Courtesy of The Daily Kansan

Second baseman Jordan Etier throws to first after fielding a ground ball in Texas' 9-0 win over Kansas. Etier was 3-for-5 with 2 RBI.

## Jungmann dominates as Horns defeat Jayhawks

By Trey Scott  
Daily Texan Staff

When Taylor Jungmann is at his best, he doesn't need much offensive support — just one, two, maybe three runs.

The Longhorns' bats provided much more than that Thursday night, cranking out 13 hits in a 9-0 Texas blow-out over Kansas (19-19, 8-8), which gives Jungmann his ninth win of the season.

"The game was dominated by the pitching of Jungmann," said head coach Augie Garrido. "He returned to the dominance we saw early in the season. He controlled the game. And we even had a couple of rallies on offense."

It was indeed the junior pitcher's

finest outing of the season, maybe the best of his career. In 106 pitches, Jungmann struck out nine batters and only surrendered one hit, even more impressive giving the

harsh conditions — temperatures in the mid-50s with winds blowing 20 mph.

"I mostly relied on my two-seam fastball to the inside corner a lot today," he said. "I had a good feel for the ball. The breaking ball was good for me, too."

With his strikeout of Jayhawk Ka'iana El-dredge in the seventh inning, Jungmann became just the eighth Texas pitcher ever to strike out 300 batters in his career.

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## Clark trying to find Bennett's replacement

By Chris Hummer  
Daily Texan Staff

Cruising at 39-4, Texas hit an unexpected road bump this week when it was forced to find a replacement for star first baseman Lexy Bennett.

Bennett has been a key piece of the Texas lineup all year — she is

one of 25 finalists for the national player of the year award and is hitting a team-leading .455.

"She is about as hot as anyone in the country and has been the last three weeks," said Texas head coach Connie Clark after the Texas A&M game on April 6. "She just has ice water in her veins right now. She's amazing."

But after Bennett was struck by a pitch on her right arm last weekend versus Iowa State, Texas has had to turn to other sources of offense. With her arm in a cast, Bennett is out for an undisclosed amount of time, and the Longhorns are wondering who will step up to fill her

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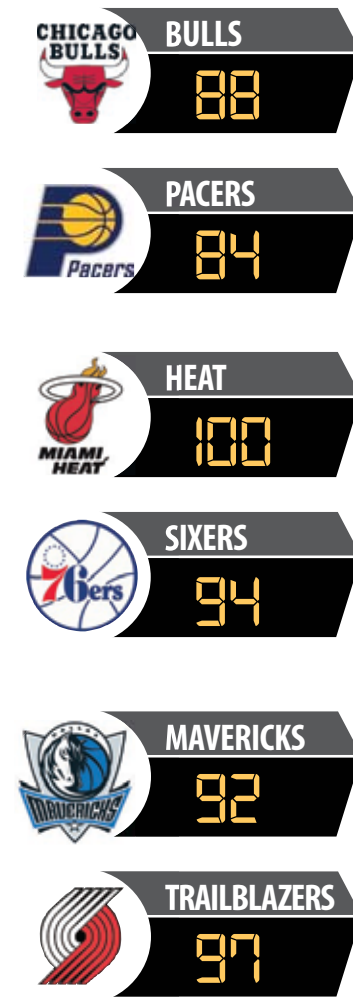


Shelby Savony is one of the front-runners to fill in for injured first baseman Lexy Bennett. On the year, Savony has hit three home runs.

Trent Lesikar  
Daily Texan Staff

## SIDELINE

### NBA PLAYOFFS



### NHL PLAYOFFS



### JOKE OF THE WEEK

Why did the chicken get sent to the dugout?

Answer: Persistent foul play!

## SPORTS BRIEFLY

Highly-touted Johnathan Gray gives Texas verbal commitment

The Longhorns have picked up a commitment from Aledo High School running back Johnathan Gray, a five-star running back according the recruiting service Rivals.

The 5-foot-11-inch, 190-pound blue chipper announced his intent in a news release a few minutes after the clock struck midnight on April 22, his 18th birthday. His commitment, which is nonbinding, gives Texas 16 players in its 2012 recruiting class.

In his high school career, Gray has rushed for 6,990 yards and 124 career touchdowns, just 17 away from the all-time state record, which is held by current Longhorn Traylon Shead.

Gray chose Texas over Texas A&M and TCU.

— Trey Scott



WEEKEND PREVIEW

WOMEN'S TRACK

Texas heads to Waco for Michael Johnson Classic

By Julie Thompson  
Daily Texan Staff

The seventh-ranked Longhorns travel to Waco this weekend to participate in the Michael Johnson Classic, the first outdoor meet since the team's strong performance at the Texas Relays on April 6-9.

This weekend's event is a warm-up to the historically important Penn Relays that will take place April 27-30 in Philadelphia.

Several of the Longhorns are ranked among the nation's best at their events. Junior Angele Cooper ranks sixth in the 400-meter hurdles and freshman Danielle Dowie ninth. Freshman Shanay Briscoe ranks second in the nation for the high jump, and junior Victoria Lucas is tied for ninth. In the long jump, senior Chantel Malone is ranked third in the country.

The Texas 400-meter relay is also fourth in the nation, and the Longhorns hold the third-fastest time in the country this season in the 1,600-meter relay.

**Michael Johnson Classic**  
**Date:** Saturday  
**Time:** All Day  
**Place:** Hart-Patterson Complex (Waco, Texas)



Corey Leamon | Daily Texan Staff

After a strong showing at the Texas Relays, the No. 7 Longhorns will use the weekend in Waco as a warm-up before the Penn Relays.

MEN'S TRACK

Goodwin, Horns prepare for final meet of season

By Chris Medina  
Daily Texan Staff

The No. 11 Longhorns venture to nearby Waco to compete in the Michael Johnson Classic on Saturday but must be careful not to overlook this regional meet as they look forward to next week's Penn Relays, the oldest and largest track competition in the United States.

After dropping two spots and out of the top 10 in the most recent U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association poll, Texas will be looking to shore up its

weaknesses as it prepares for the final meets of the season.

"I think, as a team, we need to start believing in ourselves," said sophomore thrower Hayden Baillio. "Our coaches and the fans definitely believe in us, but it's a matter of getting the Texas swagger back. But that will come as we get more experience under our belt."

That growth depends heavily on sophomore sprinter and jumper Marquise Goodwin.

"Marquise has really stepped up as that guy," Baillio said. "Being a leader is about being reliable on and off the field and be-

ing confident. I hope to be that one day, but I back him up 100 percent."

The one-day meet on the campus of Baylor will be a litmus test of the team's readiness for the Penn Relays.

"Right now, we just want a good performance," Baillio said. "This meet is another stepping stone along the way to the ultimate goal, the Big 12 and NCAA [outdoor] championship."

Baillio posted a personal best in the shot put at the Mt. SAC Relays on April 16 and was the top collegiate finisher.

**Michael Johnson Classic**  
**Date:** Saturday  
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"It's just a matter of showing up and getting it done. This is not like the BCS where if you are a No. 1 seed, you are in the championship," Baillio said. "Show up and perform, simple as that."

MEN'S TENNIS

Trip to A&M final test for Texas before tournament

By Wes Maulsby  
Daily Texan Staff

Texas finishes the regular season Saturday when it travels to College Station to take on Texas A&M, the team's final test before the Big 12 tournament starts on April 29.

Texas A&M is currently second in the conference at 4-1, with Texas right on its heels at 3-2. Neither can catch Baylor, which finished its regular season with a 6-0 record. Saturday's match will carry extra importance, with the winner claiming the second seed in the Big 12 tournament. Depending on how the other remaining conference matches go, the Longhorns can finish anywhere from second to fourth. A win would give Texas as the second seed, and its third straight win to carry some momentum into the tournament.

This will be the second matchup this season between Texas and A&M, with the Longhorns taking their last match in February 4-3. It was a neutral-site match in Houston, and the match was very close, with four of the singles matches going to three sets, and each doubles match being decided by two games or less.

Early in the season, the Aggies lost three out of four matches, including the loss to Texas, but have since won 17 of their last 19.

With an equal number of ranked players, the difference could lie in A&M's homecourt advantage.

**Texas at Texas A&M**  
**Date:** Saturday  
**Time:** 1 p.m.  
**Place:** Mitchell Tennis Center (College Station, Texas)

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spot in the batting order.

Clark and the team are hoping it will be a collective effort.

Two players in particular will be expected to fill the hole that Bennett left at first base. Senior Shelby Savony and sophomore Kim Bruins will split the time at first, at least until one of them really takes control of the position, and Clark gives them a full-time starting role.

"They're doing a good job," Clark said. "We pretty much told them yesterday, coming out and sat them down, and said, 'You know what, it's there for the taking, and you two are going to compete for it.'"

Savony is a senior with plenty of experience under her belt. She has made solid contributions to the team in her four years here, mostly in the role of a pinch hitter, so she knows how to perform under pressure. She also brings plenty of power to the lineup, hitting 11 home runs in limited action her junior season. Most importantly, she adds a layer of leadership on the field as one of three captains on the team.

Bruins brings a different flair to the position. She doesn't have a lot of experience at the collegiate level playing first base, being a pitcher first and foremost for the team. But with freshman Rachel Fox solidly cemented be-



Trent Lesikar | Daily Texan Staff

Converted pitcher Kim Bruins doesn't have much power — with a .382 slugging percentage and no homers — but is learning how to play first.

hind Blaire Luna as the No. 2 pitcher, Bruins will get the opportunity to try her hand in the field. Bruins hasn't hit much in her time here but averaged .419 at the plate as a senior at Redlands High School.

The decision as to who will start hasn't been made yet and will most likely remain an open competition after the weekend.

"We'll try to go set into the weekend for sure and see how that person performs," Clark said. "They both bring good things to the table,

**No. 5 Texas at Texas Tech**  
**Date:** Fri., Sat.  
**Time:** 6 p.m., 11 a.m.  
**Place:** Rocky Johnson Field (Lubbock, Texas)

so it's a challenge for the coaches but a good challenge to have. We'll look at the Tech notes to see how they match up in regards to their short game and speed game and go from there."

McCoy leading Browns' workouts in Austin

By Tom Withers  
The Associated Press

Cleveland quarterback Colt McCoy has organized workouts in Texas for a few of his teammates during the NFL lockout.

Several of the wide receivers are joining him in Austin to throw the ball around.

By this time next week, he may have new targets.

With the No. 6 overall pick in next week's draft, the Browns may have the chance to add a top-flight wide receiver like Geor-

gia's A.J. Green or Alabama's Julio Jones, considered the top two prospects at that position.

Since trading Braylon Edwards to the New York Jets in 2009, the Browns have lacked a home-run-hitting wide receiver. Mohamed Massaquoi and Brian Robiskie are suitable, and both made significant strides in their second seasons as pros.

However, the Browns need more to develop McCoy, who will be running a new West Coast offense installed by first-year coach Pat Shurmur. Green

or Jones would fill a gaping hole.

General Manager Tom Heckert was pleased to hear that McCoy was rounding up a few of his teammates for some informal practices while the league's labor dispute drags on.

Massaquoi posted a message on his Twitter page saying that he was headed to Austin for "for some pitch & catch" with McCoy, Josh Cribbs, Carlton Mitchell, Jordan Norwood and "the rest of my Browns brothers!"

"I think it's great," said Heckert.



Caleb Bryant Miller | Daily Texan file photo

Former Texas quarterback Colt McCoy is preparing for his second season as a Cleveland Brown, presumably as the starter.

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championship is like any other tournament. As usual, the team left Austin on Wednesday, practiced at Old Hawthorne on Thursday and competes today through Sunday. Vandermade has played this tournament before, so besides being the DJ for the team, she is also a mentor.

"It's same format as any other tournament," she said. "So you don't need to think of it any differently. It's going to be, obviously, a bigger stage, but just treat it as any other tournament, and go out there and play your game."

One minor difference from previous tournaments is the size of the field. The Longhorns will play against all 12 conference teams, a small number since the Longhorns are used to competing against 15 to 18 teams per event.

"This is actually easy on one hand because you play faster," said head coach Martha Richards. "Rounds go faster and smoother."

The Longhorns go into the tournament ranked No. 2 in the Big 12, meaning they will tee off with top-seeded Iowa State and No. 3 seed Oklahoma on Friday. After that, the lowest-shoot-

**Big 12 Championship**  
**Date:** Fri., Sat., Sun.  
**Place:** The Club at Old Hawthorne (Columbia, Miss.)

ing three teams will play together each day while the remaining nine squads will be grouped into threesomes based on their previous round scores.

"I think if we go in there and we press and we try to win the Big 12, that typically doesn't go well, and it doesn't go well with this group," Richards said. "When you go out and play golf, you can't be thinking about winning. For us, thinking about winning the Big 12 is every day we are practicing."

As usual, the Longhorns slipped an unlabeled burnt CD into the stereo in the rental van as they rolled out of the airport on Wednesday toward their hotel. As Vandermade's playlist came over the speakers, the rest of the Longhorns began to focus on the tournament ahead, and they hope to be singing a winning tune when they return to Austin at the end of the weekend.

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"I didn't realize I did it. I try not to worry about stats," Jungmann said. "We got the win today, so I feel good. I'm sure looking back on it someday, it will be nice."

Juniors Brandon Loy and Jordan Etier paced the offense, combining to go 7-for-10 with four RBI.

"Brandon Loy continues to be, offensively and defensively, one of the most brilliant players in this conference," Garrido said. "He really seems to be comfortable, and he's hitting hard line drives."

The No.7 Longhorns (29-4, 12-4) will play game two of the series tonight and game three tomorrow, which will enable them to have Easter Sunday off. Cole Green (2-3, 3.27 ERA) takes the mound today. The senior pitched has strung together a number of quality starts, with four combined earned runs and 21 strikeouts in his last three games. Sam Stafford will start the series finale on Saturday. The junior left-hander is 5-0 and sports a 1.39 ERA inning ratio.

Should the Longhorns win the two games, it will give them their third conference series sweep.

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declares, Texas will lose 31.7 of its average point total from last season. Myck Kabongo — the latest in a line of Findlay Prep graduates that include Thompson, Joseph and Avery Bradley — is ranked the No. 2 point guard in his class and could fill a hole in the backcourt. Texas also welcomes four-star prospects Julien Lewis and Sheldon McClellan, a pair of perimeter shooters with good accuracy from beyond the arc.

There's no clear replacement for either Thompson or Hamilton in either the returners or newcomers, meaning Barnes will have some decisions of his own to make if his star playmakers depart.



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49 "\_\_\_\_ mouse!"

50 Flightless bird

52 Standard with the lyric "Ain't these tears in my eyes tellin' you?"

55 Smooth

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1 Some linemen: Abbr.

2 What may be coming after you

3 Not ruddy

4 23-Down caramel desserts

5 "Must've been something \_\_\_\_"

6 When there's nothing doing

7 City known as Salisbury until 1982

8 Farm delivery

9 Accomplish by economy, with "out"

10 You: Ger.

11 Games that go into overtime, say

12 United States divider

13 "\_\_\_\_" told by an idiot: Macbeth

14 "Got it"

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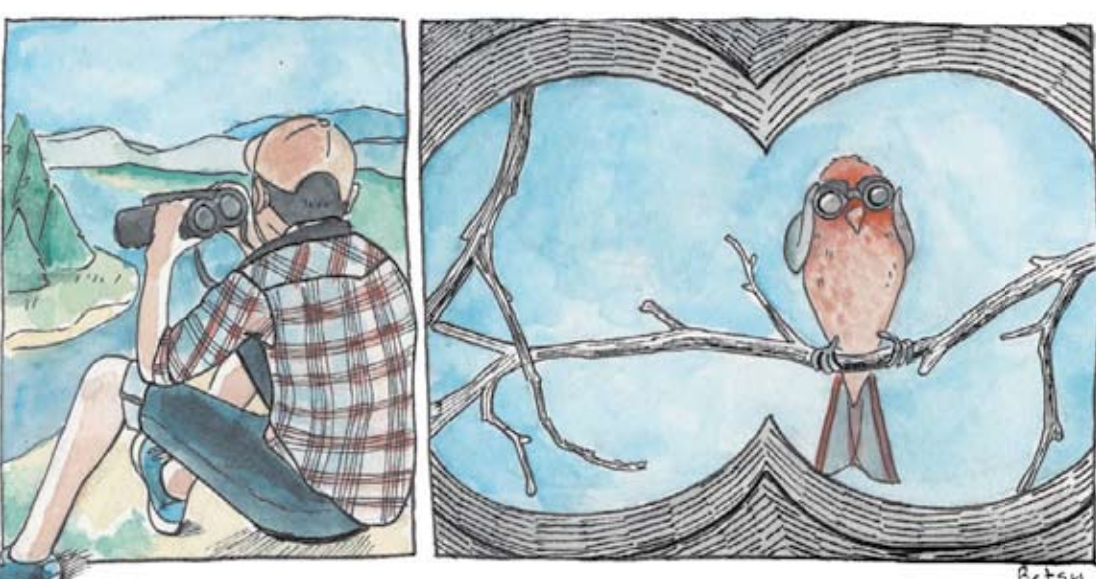
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Mary Zhou, a sophomore chemical engineering student, competes in a “Starcraft II” match in a qualifying tournament last Saturday. Texas e-Sports, UT’s competitive gaming organization, will be hosting a larger tournament Saturday.

Gamers to host video game tournament

By Allistair Pinsof

With \$1,500 on the line, 128 competitive gamers from across Texas will gather on UT campus Saturday for the largest collegiate “StarCraft II” tournament yet.

Last fall, UT organization Texas e-Sports Association hosted its first tournament of popular PC strategy game “StarCraft II.” The event brought together 64 players who won \$700 in prizes. This year’s tournament, TeSPA Texas Open, offers more than double the amount of prize money, a new venue for spectators and an improved multiple camera video feed of the event that will be broadcast to the spectator room in Robert Lee Moore Hall and online via justin.tv.

The biggest difference, though, is that the UT organization, which only started last fall, will be receiving sponsorship from Intel, Microsoft, NVIDIA and Texas Parents.

“This little organization of ours is starting to get some statewide attention,” said Tyler Rosen,

aerospace senior and the event’s coordinator.

The tournament’s preliminaries were played exclusively online April 16, but this coming weekend, the players in the top of the tournament’s bracket will go head to head. The tournament, which will last from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., will be played in front of a live audience and broadcast online through the live streaming website.

Rosen, along with his identical twin brother Adam, formed the group after discovering a new love for “Starcraft II” last summer.

“Everybody plays games or knows somebody who plays games on campus,” said Adam Rosen, an aerospace senior. “Until TeSPA, there really wasn’t place on campus to play games together, improve and even compete.”

Twenty-five people showed up to the organization’s first meeting, but the group quickly grew in size over the months. Currently, the group is a collective of more than 200 UT students who share a passion for competitive gaming, with a focus on acclaimed strategy title “Starcraft II”

**WHAT:** “Starcraft II” tournament

**WHERE:** Robert Lee Moore Hall auditorium, 4.102

**WHEN:** Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**ADMISSION:** \$5 (additional \$5 for the catered lunch)

The twin brothers seek to capture the excitement and prestige that live “Starcraft” matches hold in South Korea by improving the spectator experience. Last year, spectators and players were both hosted in the same room in the Academic Annex, next to Robert Lee Moore Hall. This year, spectators will watch the matches from a large projection screen in RLM’s auditorium. In addition to more space, the event will also offer food, raffles for computer hardware, trivia games and stations where console games can be played.

The spectator experience will also see new changes with multiple cameras, live commentary about the matches and interviews with players between games.

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On a typical Saturday morning at the center, sharp afro-beats fill the dance room as girls in billowing skirts sashay to the rhythm. Their parents sit on benches, watching from a glass window, while soft chords strummed from the cuatro play from another practice room.

“We’re not going to have the largest Puerto Rican community in Austin, but the fact that we are in the center is very significant,” said Dr. Ana Maria Maynard, William’s mother and founder of the center.

Located within the heart of Texas, Austin makes it easy for those in surrounding cities to drive to events and classes, she added.

If a corridor is drawn from Dallas to Houston, containing Killeen, Austin and San Antonio, those cities are home to 81 percent of the Puerto Ricans in Texas, Maynard said.

Since the economy has fallen drastically in the last five years in Puerto Rico, more and more people are leaving the island to find jobs in the states, Maynard said, with most migrating to Texas. According to the Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration, Texas has the fastest growing Puerto Rican population.

“Every time I turn around, I’m meeting new people,” Maynard said. “So it’s hard to know how many people we have here, because if we look at the numbers from 2000, it’s not going to reflect at all.”

According to the 2000 U.S. Census Bureau, there are 69,504 Puerto Ricans in Texas, which is 0.3 percent of Texas’ total population. The Census Bureau has not yet published Puerto Rican demographics for 2010.

Maynard said what attracts the people to Texas is its similarities to

the island: warm weather, low cost of living and a large Hispanic community. A family-oriented culture, she said, Puerto Ricans like to stay close together.

“What happens with the Puerto Rican community is that once you start having friends and relatives coming, they follow because we like to be together,” Maynard said. “We’d rather go somewhere where we know people then to go somewhere and be alone.”

When Maynard came to Austin 20 years ago to work for IBM, there was nothing in Austin for Puerto Ricans, she said. The closest thing to home that she could get, she said, was the Mexican community and the fellow dance members of Ballet Folklórico de Mexico.

“It was a wonderful experience to be embraced by a community that was not mine,” she said.

However, when Maynard had her son William, she realized it was not enough.

“I started to think about my heritage and how I grew up and all things that were meaningful to me that made me the person that I am today,” Maynard said. “I realized by living here in Austin, my son would not have any of that.”

She said she remembers watching cultural performances at an international fair at Concordia University 14 years ago with her newborn. China, Mexico and Scotland all had dancers representing their country and culture, but there were no Puerto Rican dancers.

“I’m looking at my son and feeling so bad that I had all this knowledge about my culture, but I wasn’t doing anything that would help him learn and appreciate it,” she said.

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**Ven Conmigo**

**WHAT:** Puerto Rican Folkloric Dance & Cultural Center

**WHERE:** 701 Tillery Street #13

**WEB:** prfdance.org

That was the moment she said she promised she would do something.

She spent the next nine months engineering a plan and held her first traditional Puerto Rican dance class that fall.

Fourteen years later, the program has grown from a small classroom of six students, half of which were Maynard’s friends, to a center frenzied by children’s laughter and foot-steps. And Maynard’s mission has extended from just teaching song and dance to upholding the connection to Puerto Rico, starting with the youth.

“To see all the children really embrace their heritage, it’s rewarding,” Maynard said.

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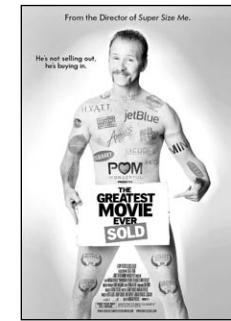
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Once a sponsor is on board in the film, Spurlock always manages to find a place for them in the movie, whether it’s the bottle of POM Wonderful he sips on throughout interviews or the JetBlue terminal where he meets with a particularly anti-product placement subject.

Many of his meetings with advertising executives are equally hilarious, especially an extended pitch session in which Spurlock tries to sell POM Wonderful ex-ecs on a commercial focusing on the increased sexual vitality pomegranate juice lends its drinkers. Even better is an interview with Hollywood filmmakers such as Quentin Tarantino and Peter Berg (“Friday Night Lights”), who’ve had to deal with product placement, which includes perhaps the best quote of the film from “Rush Hour” director Brett Ratner: “Artistic integrity? Whatever.”

Unfortunately, Spurlock kind of



**POM Wonderful Presents: The Greatest Movie Ever Sold**  
*Morgan Spurlock*

**Genre:** Documentary

**Runtime:** 90 minutes

**For those who like:** Super Size Me

**Grade:** B+

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barge on Lake Travis. In March of last year, he held his first party for a client, and, two months later, Hill quit his job and moved back to Austin to focus on the endeavor full time.

Although an impulsive move — leaving the comfortable pastures of a nine-to-five job for the unknown world of entrepreneurship, Hill cites the book, “The 4-Hour Workweek” by Timothy Ferriss, which details how to become an entrepre-

neur, as helping him go full-force into his business.

When the barge business was on hiatus last winter, Hill and his roommate Phil Doubek, who also financially supported the party barge, decided to expand the business and started Aftermath. In a matter of weeks, they had a website, advertisement and cleaning supplies ready to go. Although there was initial interest, including the cleaning at the lo-

cal band’s house, Aftermath struggled to maintain consistent business during its first few weeks. However, they have since cleaned 30 places since January.

However, if there’s one thing he cannot be motivated to do, it’s to clean up his own house.

“Now that I’m providing this service, it’s just not the same,” Hill said. I’m not getting paid to clean up my house — so I don’t”

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## Business cleans up post-party houses, delivers breakfast

By Christopher Nguyen  
Daily Texan Staff

Saturday morning, after the party has ended, the drinks have been emptied and the hangovers have begun, Brian Hill and a couple of his friends arrive at the house of a local band and immediately hand them a bag of Torchy's breakfast tacos. As the bandmates continue to look on in amazement at their breakfast fortune, Hill's crew takes out its cleaning supplies to clear up the broken coffee table and beer bottles scattered on the floor and dirty dishes lying on the counter.

Less than an hour later, they head out and leave behind the three band members chowing down on the tacos in the living room, taking with them the remnants of last night's revelry and a paycheck.

Hill, a 2008 UT graduate, started the service company Aftermath Party Cleanup & Food Delivery this past winter, inspired when a friend mentioned Hangover Helpers, a similar business in Boulder, Colorado. Starting at \$30 and about \$10 a room after that, plus the cost of food, Hill will bring food and other necessities for a client and clean up a house as the malaise of the day after a party sets in.

"I wish I could've come up with the idea on my own, but I think it's awesome and something Austin needed," Hill said. "I throw a lot of parties for my friends, and I think

about all those times I was sitting there just wishing I wasn't in a house that was so messy. It just feels gross after a while."

Aftermath is a branch of Hill's growing party business that he started on a whim with Premier Party Cruises two years ago. While working in Houston as a design engineer at an oil services company in March 2009, he came up with the idea to build a barge on a friend's lakefront house in Houston for parties.

Hill spent the ensuing time brainstorming, designing and talking about the idea endlessly. He went so far as to create a Facebook event for an Independence Day party for his future barge even after he lost the space to build the barge when his friend was evicted from the lakefront.

"Building it became a pride thing, like, 'If I back out now, I'll never hear the end of it, so I can either just call it quits and regret it or take out some loans and build it,'" Hill said.

Three months and \$90,000 in loans later, Hill had just enough time to throw the party in July on his newly built 20-foot-by-50-foot

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Brian Hill, owner of Premier Party Cruises, waits as guests check in for a five-hour voyage on Lake Travis. Hill owns a second business which delivers breakfast and cleans up the morning after parties.

## Documentary satirizes ads in films, TV using humor

By Alex Williams  
Daily Texan Staff

Morgan Spurlock has a habit of making light, funny documentaries that tackle subject matter ranging from disgusting ("Super Size Me") to potentially inflammatory ("Where in the World is Osama Bin Laden?"). While his new film, "POM Wonderful Presents: The Greatest Movie Ever Sold," doesn't have quite the controversial bent of his previous works, it's Spurlock's best film to date. The film is an even-handed, smart and often hilarious examination of product placement.

With "The Greatest Movie Ever Sold," Spurlock sets out to analyze the world of product placement in films and TV shows. Planning to fund the film entirely via product placement, Spurlock travels to various companies, first learning what his "personal brand" is and slowly amassing investors for the film.

As always, Spurlock proves to be a watchable figure, milking the brilliant idea to film a documentary about product placement by funding it through product placement.

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Alejandro Reyna, 12, and instructor Jessica Montoya practice a traditional dance at the Puerto Rican Folkloric Dance Center. It is the only community center for Puerto Ricans in the southwest United States.

## Rich in Tradition

Editor's Note: This is the second in a three-part series providing a glimpse into small but significant cultural communities in Austin.

HERITAGE AUSTIN  
PUERTO RICO  
By Julie Rene Tran

The blessed, wooden warrior drum rests quietly in the costume closet of the Puerto Rican Folkloric Dance Center in Austin. Hand-chis-

eled by the chief of his mother's native Puerto Rican tribe, the Taino, the instrument is just one way 14-year-old William Maynard maintains a bond with his native land which he has only visited once.

In the hub of an East Austin neighborhood on Tillery Street, the Puerto Rican Folkloric Dance Center is the only community center for Puerto Ricans in the Southwest. The nonprofit center offers 12 classes per week on traditional dances and music, including lessons for the large bomba drum and the small cuatro guitar, two of the island's national instruments.

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